



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR
WOMEN**

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Monday, October 3, 2016

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (16-4998)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Call to Order. (16-4886)

President Alice S. Petrossian called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

Roll Call. (16-4897)

Roll Call was performed by staff.

Present: President Alice S. Petrossian, Commissioner Irma Archuleta, Commissioner Maria Calix, Commissioner Dora de la Rosa, Commissioner Karriann Farrell Hinds, Commissioner Gerda Govine Ed.D., Commissioner Barbara Kappos LCSW, Commissioner Imelda Padilla, Commissioner Charlotte Lesser and Commissioner Becky A. Shevlin

Excused: Vice President Ana Maria Garcia, Treasurer Nancy Cohen Ph.D., Commissioner Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt, Commissioner Reiko Duba and Commissioner Lindsay Louie

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Approval of Minutes for the CW's meeting of September 12, 2016 Minutes. (16-4358)

On motion of Commissioner Becky A. Shevlin, seconded by Commissioner Charlotte Lesser, this item was approved with the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - President Alice S. Petrossian, Commissioner Maria Calix, Commissioner Karriann Farrell Hinds, Commissioner Gerda Govine Ed.D., Commissioner Barbara Kappos LCSW, Commissioner Charlotte Lesser, Commissioner Imelda Padilla and Commissioner Becky A. Shevlin

Abstentions: 2 - Irma Archuleta and Dora de la Rosa

Excused: 5 - Vice President Ana Maria Garcia, Treasurer Nancy Cohen Ph.D., Commissioner Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt, Commissioner Reiko Duba and Commissioner Lindsay Louie

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II. PRESENTATIONS

2. Los Angeles County Commission for Women's presentation to Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, Fifth District. (16-4887)

President Petrossian introduced and welcomed Honorable Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, Fifth District, and thanked him for accepting the Commission's invitation and for his years of support of the Commission.

Supervisor Antonovich thanked the Commission for inviting him and acknowledging his work. He applauded the Commission for their outstanding work on behalf of women and for serving on the Commission. He also stated that the Board of Supervisors is very proud of the Commission.

Responding to the Commission's inquiry regarding legislations, policies or programs that can help women and girls avert a number of issues they face on a daily basis, Supervisor Antonovich stated that the emancipated and foster youth programs are great vehicles for helping young women and girls in light of the human trafficking issues that impacts everyone, the average age of those trafficked is 12 years old.

Commissioner Shevlin thanked the Supervisor for being a driving force in getting the age limit for foster youth raised to 21 before they are emancipated.

The Commission expressed their gratitude to the Supervisor for his support of the Commission and for taking time out of his schedule to address the Commission.

3. Presentation on the creation and history of the Office of Women's Health and the services they provide to the people of Los Angeles County. (Continued from the meeting of September 12, 2016)

- Dr. Rita Singhal, Office of Women's Health (16-3727)

Rita Singhal, MD, MPH, Medical Director, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (DPH), provided a PowerPoint presentation on the history of the Office of Women's Health (OWH). She stated that in 1997 the Los Angeles County Commission for Women (LACCW) convened a Health Care Summit on women's health to develop strategies and solutions to improve the quality of women's health. From that summit the Office of Women's health was established to serve as a focal point for strategic planning to make county programs and policies more responsive to women.

She also stated that the OWH is one of 39 programs such as Children's Medical Services, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention, Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health and Substance Abuse Prevention and Control, to name a few within DPH's Health Promotion Bureau.

She concluded by stating that the OWH works at various levels (from policy to individuals) to promote health equity throughout Los Angeles County. OWH believes collaboration is essential to its work and overall success of services and programs provided to the people of Los Angeles County. She looks forward to the OWH collaborating with the LACCW.

President Petrossian thanked Dr. Rita Singhal for taking time to provide a wonderful presentation to the Commission and look forward to the collaborating opportunities.

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III. REPORTS

4. President's Report. (16-4888)

President Petrossian reported that she participated in a Women's Administrators forum during the week of September 28-30, 2016.

5. Executive Committee Report. (16-4889)

President Petrossian reported that the Executive Committee met and worked on the October 3, 2016 CW meeting agenda.

6. Staff Report. (16-4890)

Staff reported that the WOY Luncheon will be held at the Music Center on Monday, March 13, 2017.

7. Education Committee Report. (16-4891)

Commissioner Padilla reported that the Committee reviewed and updated the scholarship application. The Committee desire to increase the number of applicants to reflect the diversity in Los Angeles; and having a breakfast meeting with the collaborating agencies to inform them of the changes and the scholarship process.

8. Health Committee Report.

- Health Deputies letter review and appropriate action (16-4892)

The Commission reviewed and held a brief discussion on the letter to the Health Deputies.

After discussion, on motion by Commissioner Gerda Govine, Ed.D., seconded by Commissioner Karriann Farrell Hinds, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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9. Policy and Legislation Committee Report for October 3, 2016. (16-3730)

Commissioner Hinds reported that she is working with Commissioner Calix on developing a process for tracking and recording legislation that impacts women and girls, and the need for the Committee to identify and secure an intern for the project.

10. Public Relations and Social Media Committee Report for October 3, 2016. (16-3731)

There was no report presented.

11. Violence Against Women and Girls Committee Report for October 3, 2016. (16-3732)

Commissioner Kappos reported that she met with former Commissioner Rodriguez regarding the Domestic Violence Council Breakfast Briefing. A survey will be taken prior to the meeting to ascertain topics for the meeting. She also reported that at its October 4, 2016 meeting, the Board of Supervisors will declare October 2016 as Domestic Violence Awareness month.

The Commission agreed that former Commissioner Rodriguez should be invited to serve as a public member on the Violence Against Women and Girls Committee.

12. Women of the Year Committee Report. (16-4893)

Commissioner Hinds reported that the date, location and caterer for the 2017 WOY Luncheon have been confirmed. The WOY Luncheon Committee met and discussed and updated the WOY correspondence, and including a Youth category for the luncheon.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

13. Commissioners' announcements on items related to the work of the Commission for Women's Commission. (16-4901)

Commissioners made the following announcements:

- **Commissioner Shevlin will be attending the League of California Cities Women's Caucus meeting October 5-6, 2016 and the San Fernando Valley Council of Government's Housing Summit on October 11, 2016.**
- **Commissioner Calix participated in a webinar.**
- **President Petrossian will be volunteering at a hospital in Armenia.**
- **Commissioner Lesser's final meeting as a member of the CW will be December 12, 2016. She will serve as a public member on the Health Committee.**

Matters Not Posted

14. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (16-4894)

The following item was introduced for discussion and placed on the November 8, 2016 agenda:

- **Ad-Hoc Funding Committee report.**

Public Comment

15. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (16-4895)

There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.

Adjournment

16. Adjournment for the meeting of Monday, October 3, 2016. (16-4896)

There being no further business, President Petrossian adjourned the meeting of October 3, 2016 at 12:02 p.m.